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☒ original patent application,
☐ continuation-in-part application

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TITLE: **System and Method for Flattening Hierarchical Designs in VLSI Circuit Analysis Tools**

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